Amendment to the Claims

1-23. (Cancelled)

24. (New) A lighting apparatus comprising:

a plurality of display units;

a control unit for providing display data in packet format to the display units; and

at least one terminal adaptor assigned terminal adaptor ID and having a terminal adaptor side communication section connected with the control unit electrically via an upper communication line,

the display units being assigned display unit ID, having a display unit side communication section, and driving at least one light emitting element based on the display data packets provided by the control unit, wherein the terminal adaptor communicates electrically with the display units via a lower communication line,

wherein the display units are arranged in n rows, where n is an integer equal to two or more, and each of the communication sections of the display units in each row are connected to each other in series,

wherein the communication section of the display unit at a downstream end position in the m-th row, as viewed from the control unit, is connected to the communication section of the display unit that is located in the (m+1)-th row and is positioned on the same side as the communication section of the display unit at the downstream position in the m-th row, where m is an integer and satisfies the relationship $1 \leq m \leq n-1$.

25. (New) The lighting apparatus according to claim 24, wherein communication at the upper communication line employs higher speed communication than communication at the lower communication line.

26. (New) A lighting apparatus comprising:

a plurality of display units;

a control unit for providing display data in packet format to the display units; and

a plurality of terminal adaptors assigned terminal adaptor ID and having a terminal adaptor side communication section connected with the control unit electrically via an upper communication line,

the display units being assigned display unit ID, having a display unit side communication section connected to at least one of the terminal adaptors via a lower communication line, and driving at least one light emitting element based on the display data packets provided by the control unit,

the terminal adaptors and/or the display units being arranged in n rows, wherein n is an integer that is equal to two or more, and each of the communication sections of the terminal adaptors and/or the display units in each of the rows are connected to each other in series,

wherein the communication section of the terminal adaptor and/or the display unit located in the m-th row at a downstream end position thereof, as viewed from the control unit, is connected to the communication section of the terminal adaptor

and/or the display unit that is located in the (m+1)-th row and is positioned on the same side as the communication section of the terminal adaptor and/or display unit at the downstream position in the m-th row, where m is an integer and satisfies the relationship $1 \leq m \leq n-1$.

27. (New) The lighting apparatus according to claim 26, wherein communication at the upper communication line employs higher speed communication than communication at the lower communication line.